

REDS CAPTURE GENERAL TU

Fate Of Trapped Hsueh Garrison Still Unknown CALLED WAR CRIMINAL

Nanking, January 12.
General Tu Yu-ming, one of China's great military heroes and leader of the trapped government forces below Hsueh, has been captured by the Communists, military sources reported today.

The Communist radio said that General Tu was captured while in disguise as a private and that the last of his 25 surrounded divisions has been annihilated.

Tientsin Tragedy

Shanghai, January 13.

Eugene Grossman, aged 40, noted Tientsin leader, who repudiated Soviet citizenship in an effort to reach Argentina, committed suicide from his sixth floor apartment window on January 12.

Friends said Grossman paid someone, who claimed to be an agent of the Argentine Consulate, US\$1,000 for a permit to enter Argentina. The man disappeared and the permit never came. He then tried to regain Soviet citizenship. He was refused and committed suicide.—Associated Press.

Another Try For Peace Planned

Nanking, January 13.

Members of Nationalist China's Control Yuan, the highest supervisory organ of the Kuomintang Government, were making another attempt to reach peace with the advancing Communists, according to reports here today.

Following up the Control Yuan's peace-appeal to both sides last Tuesday, a committee of members met today and decided to confer with three of China's most prominent peace advocates and to interview the ambassadors of the Big Four powers.

Representatives of the committee later met General Chang Chih-erung and General Chang Chun, both ministers in Dr. Sun Yat-sen's inner Cabinet, and Mr. Shao Lili, former Ambassador to Moscow.

Ways And Means

They are understood to be endeavouring to find ways and means of overcoming the obstacles said to be preventing the Nationalist Government and the Communist leaders from fulfilling the Control Yuan's appeal to get together to reach an immediate cease-fire.

Later, they are expected to call on the four ambassadors of the major powers and emphasise the people's desire for peace. In addition they are expected to urge the diplomats to inform their governments of the necessity of foreign good offices to end China's civil war.

Members of the Kuomintang Standing Committee simultaneously met here today to discuss the deteriorating war situation and to plan the evacuation of the staff of the Kuomintang headquarters.—Reuters—AAP.

TRUMAN CALLS ON MARSHALL

Washington, January 12.
President Truman flew unexpectedly this afternoon to Pinehurst, North Carolina, for a talk with the Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall.

Mr. Marshall, who is recovering from a kidney operation, leaves his post as Secretary of State on January 20.

Mr. Eben Ayers, assistant in the office of the Press Secretary (Charles Ross), said: "The President wanted to see him once more while he is still Secretary of State."

Mr. Ayers said the President met an hour with Mr. Marshall before flying back to Washington in time for dinner tonight.—Associated Press.

Military sources here said that two of General Tu's leading generals, Chiu Ching-chuan and Li Mi, were missing. These sources said that only 6,000 of his 180,000 starving troops had survived the five weeks of encirclement and that they have been marching South to join other Government forces.

In making the announcement, the Communists referred to General Tu as a war criminal. He was so listed by North China censorship.

This is said to be the first time that the Reds are using big guns against the ancient capital since they threw a steel ring round the city, exactly a month ago. The damage hitherto caused is not yet known.

Losing Control

Meanwhile, informed observers in Shanghai said that with the rapid deterioration of the military and political situations, the Nationalist Government "may lose whatever little control they still possessed over the field commanders and provincial governors. There is still some uncertainty about the fate of his forces, which originally numbered 250,000, but were believed cut to about 110,000 by a month of entrapment.

A Government spokesman in Nanking insists General Tu's troops are still fighting.

General Tu's defeat on the Hsueh front was the second major military disaster for him in less than three months.

Last October he was handed the command in Manchuria, but was forced to get out when the Reds overran the territory.

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PWD Witness Admits Altering Statement

An admission that he had altered his original statement to the police in the course of committal proceedings at the Kowloon Magistracy, was made yesterday by Charles M. Rowe, electrical engineer of Pacific Air Maintenance and Supply Company, at yesterday's hearing of the PWD larceny trial.

The trial involves Kwok Kwong, foreman, and Austin Spary, Grade 1 electrical inspector, who are charged with 12 counts of larceny by public servant, obtaining money by false pretences, and conspiracy to defraud the Government.

Rowe, who was recalled for cross-examination by Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton, counsel for Spary, told the court that in his statement to the police he had mentioned a telephone talk with Spary when, in fact, he had not been able to contact Spary at that time.

Giving his reason for it yesterday, witness explained that all he had been very vague to him as to the kind of statement he had to do at Kai Tak and that when the electrical job finished he never expected to be called again and the offer of a job interest him at all. He failed to tell the truth at that time.

Witness further admitted that he had had time to reflect on the matter later on, he decided he had not spoken to Spary at all and that subsequently he had said this in evidence in the Lower Court.

Witness stated that O.E. Julebin, who had given evidence at a previous hearing, had been a clerk at the CPA, but that he had left the company a month or two ago. Asked by Counsel why he left, Rowe replied that he did not know, but that he thought Julebin resigned to take a better position elsewhere.

Mr. D'Alton then referred to Julebin's cross-examination, in which Julebin had said, "we referred to the men working on the huts as Spary's men," and that when asked who the term "we" meant, Julebin had said it meant Rowe, Harris, and himself.

Rowe was then asked whether he himself had referred to the men working at the huts as "Spary's men," to which witness replied that, to the best of his knowledge, he had not.

Witness further disclosed that at the time the jobs at the huts were being carried out, Harris was in charge. Harris' present position, he added, was Manager of the Pacific Air Maintenance.

Asked whether he knew if Harris informed the police when he left the Colony on December 29, witness said he did not know, but that he thought Harris did not do so. It was on the insistence of the company, witness went on, that Harris left Hong Kong for a holiday, as he had been working with the company for some time and was quite run down.

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Witness was then asked to say that he was later ordered to make an estimate of the materials required for the job by Spary. This he did and handed the estimate to Spary. About 10 days later Spary told him to begin the work. Witness said he asked Spary from where to get materials to which Spary is alleged to have replied to get them from the second floor of the workshop at Wanchai.

Six-hundred yards of wire were then taken out of the workshop and sent over to the Yacht Club.

Counsel inquired how long Harris was acting to be absent, and witness replied that it was temporarily one month or longer.

Mr. D'Alton: "When this case started last August, when inquiries began to be made, you made a statement to the police. Later in the course of committal proceedings you changed that statement, did you not?"

Witness: "Yes."

Would it be right that your original statement was that you rang up Spary? — Did I mention Spary's name?"

It seemed so in the statement you made to the police. Did you mention it? — Yes, I did.

Subsequently you changed your statement to the effect that you had run up the PWD exchange, and that you did not speak to Spary? — Yes.

Witness also admitted that in the Lower Court, the Crown had wanted to treat him as a hostile witness as a result of the alteration.

Rowe then explained to the court that as the kind of work at Kai Tak was a strenuous one and as he had to concentrate a good deal, he did not take much interest in the electrical job being done.

Witness then read aloud the statement which he had made to the police, after which Crown Counsel, Mr. Hooton, asked whether in the statement he had referred to the foreman as "the one with the gold teeth."

At this point, Mr. Chen, counsel for Kwok Kwong, objected to this.

Banished For Life

Admitting the charges of keeping an opium divan and possession of opium, Chan Fu was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, and ordered to be banished for life, by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

When the divan on the roof of 421A Recitation Street was raided by a police party, led by Detective-Sub-Inspector C. Pope, on January 12, 10 smokers were found on the premises.

One of the smokers attempted to escape from custody but was re-arrested after a short chase. That man, Kwok Kwei-choung, a 36-year-old coolie, was fined \$100, or four weeks' imprisonment, on the smoking charge, and an additional 4x weeks on the escaping count. The other 10 smokers were fined \$100 each.

To Yuk, who lived on the second floor of 421A Recitation Street, was alleged to be the man who supplied Chan Fu with the opium for his divan. When he was charged before the same magistrate with possession of 55 pots of prepared opium, this accused was sentenced to four months' imprisonment and ordered to be banished for 10 years.

Objection

At this stage, Mr. Chen objected to the way the question was put, and submitted that it was prejudicial to his client.

He then made a formal application that the present jury be discharged, a new trial be ordered, and that the accused be granted separate trials.

The application was refused by Mr. Justice Reynolds, after which Crown Counsel went on with the question.

Witness, in reply to the question as to whom he had referred to as "gold teeth" in his statement, admitted the first accused in the dock.

The jury then asked witness whether he asked to speak to Spary when he phoned the PWD to which witness answered that the voice who answered the phone, a male one, did not give him any name at all.

Mr. D'Alton here rejoined that the witness had said when he ringed up the exchange he was told that Spary was in conference. Witness agreed to this.

The next witness, Ho Ting, foreman of the PWD Wanchai workshop, testified to having gone, in April or May, 1948, to the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club with Spary.

He stated he was told by Spary to inspect the wiring in the club.

Mr. Forsythe of the Club was also present, he said, as well as a chargehand, Tang Ting.

It was further stated that when Li complained to accused of ill treatment received at the hand of Wong Yau, accused said that he would kill the old man. On August 31, accused visited Li at Wusung Street and told her that Wong had been chopped by him with a vegetable chopper.

Hearing was then adjourned to February 2.

Evidence In Murder Case

Further evidence was heard yesterday before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon at the continued committal proceedings on the charge of murder preferred against Wong Fuk-lam.

It was alleged by the prosecution, conducted by Mr. Charles Mottram, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigations (Kowloon), assisted by Detective-Sub-Inspector C.J. Askew, that Wong Yau, foster-father of defendant, was snubbed by accused at Man Cheung Po.

The motive was stated to be vengeance. The Crown, and witnesses, including Li Kam-mui, the concubine of the dead man, and defendant were on intimate relationship.

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Clothing Stolen

Cheung Choi and Tsang Chuen reported to the Kowloon City police on January 11 that between 1 p.m. and 10 p.m. the previous day some one broke the lock of the door of 2 Sai Tau Village and stole two pairs of trousers and two jackets.

Investigations conducted by Detective 1038 led to the arrest of Cheung Chun-sho, 30-year-old unemployed, at Prince Edward Road at 9:45 a.m. on January 12.

The arrested man, according to Cheung was charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday. With house-breaking, brought the detective to a hut at Sai Tau Village where three pairs of trousers and the two jackets were found.

Defendant then brought the detective to the Shing Cheung Pawnshop at South Wall Street where the fourth pair of trousers were recovered.

Accused was sentenced to nine months' hard labour and ordered to be banished for life.

Hearing will continue this morning.

EXPLOSION OF AMMO DUMP

Manila, January 13.

Two Johni Trading Company workers were killed and six others injured yesterday in a second ammunition dump explosion in less than two weeks in Rosario, La Union, in North West Luzon.

The company, a subsidiary of Lippert Brothers of New York, is removing fuses and explosives from more than 80,000 tons of live ammunition.

An exploding grenade yesterday killed the workmen and touched other grenades in the ammunition dump. — Associated Press.

BOAC To Stop Bermuda Run

Baltimore, January 12. The British Overseas Airways Corporation today announced that it will discontinue flights between Baltimore and Bermuda next Monday. The sharp decrease in traffic since 1948 is the reason for the decision.

However, Company officials said that the firm's sales office here will remain open to accommodate persons wishing to fly to Bermuda from New York.

BOAC, which began operations here in 1948, said it carried a passenger load of 13,000 in 1948, 6,910 in 1949 and 4,000 in 1950 on the Baltimore-Bermuda run.

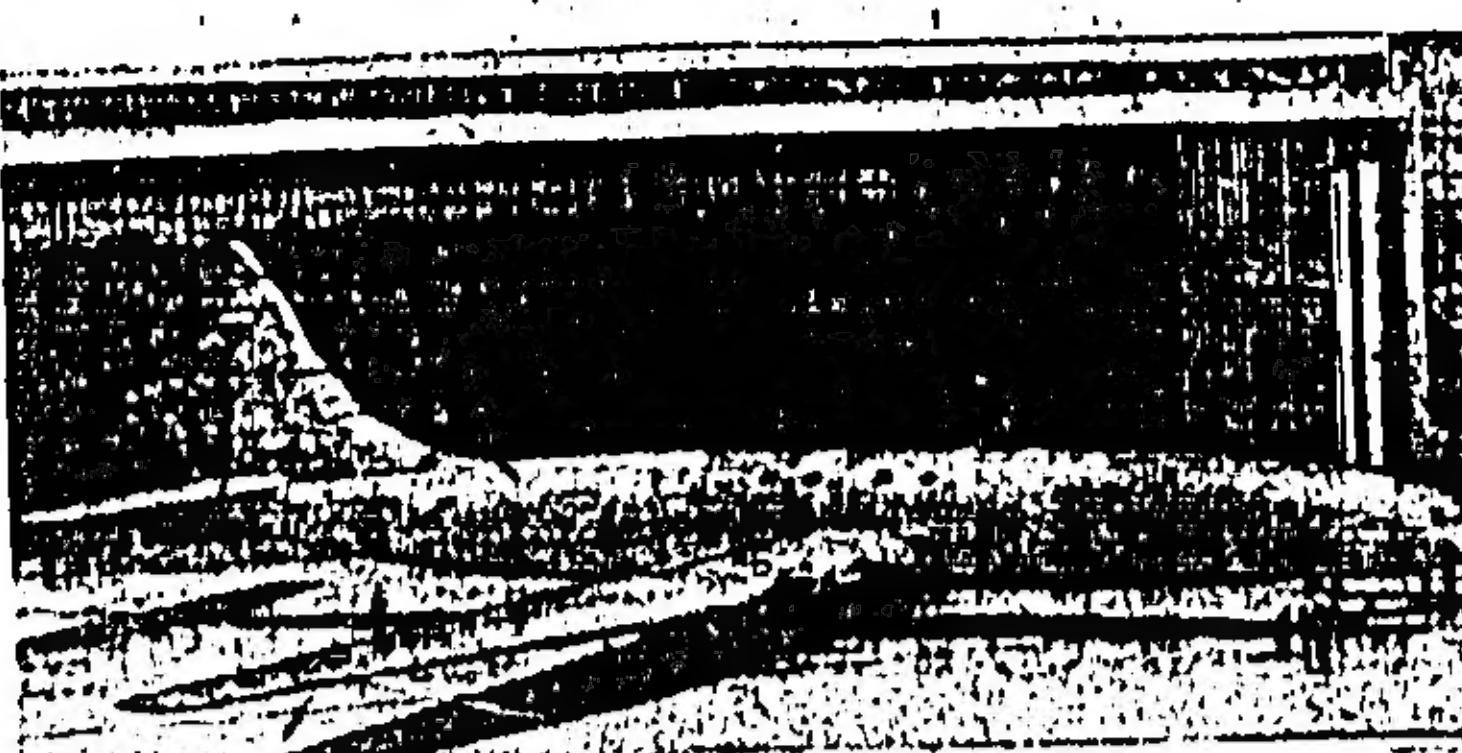
United Press.

New York, January 12.

Physicians today said that Albert Einstein probably will be released from the Jewish Hospital in Brooklyn today or tomorrow, following the hospital's operation.

The 77-year-old scientist

Britain's Air Giant



The 125-ton Ark Royal, biggest air liner ever built in Great Britain, swings from her eight-acre hangar at Filton, Bristol, to undergo a series of ground tests, which it passed successfully.

DAYLIGHT HOLD-UP

TRAMWAY CASE

Defence counsels' cross examination of a prosecution's witness continued in the hearing of the Tramways' conspiracy case before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

Fourteen inspectors and one conductor were being charged with conspiracy to defraud the Tramways Company. They are being defended by Mr. Marcus da Silva and Mr. F. C. Woo.

According to Detective-Sub-Inspector D. Davies, Sit Ting, aged 22, and Lau Tin, aged 32, with another man not in custody, robbed, while armed, Ronald George Ballantine and Cherrie Julian Maybeth of \$49, a silver cigarette case, a pair of safety glasses, a combined lighter and propelling pencil, a man's wrist watch, a blue pull-over, a gold wedding ring, a platinum and diamond ring, and an enamel brooch.

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SUPREME COURT HEARS CASE INVOLVING PRE-WAR CONTRACT

Used False Trade Marks

A 40-year-old businessman, Chung Pak-hong, of 1 Bedford Street, Kowloon, was fined \$100 on a charge of applying false trade marks on his locally-manufactured product at Central yesterday.

One hundred gross of pencils were seized, of which 70 gross were found to have the words "Made in USA" on the labels.

Mr. E. Hinsworth prosecuted, while Mr. A.S.C. Conner appeared for the defendant, who pleaded guilty.

Mr. Hinsworth told the Court, presided over by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, that this was the first case of its kind in Hong Kong. He requested the Court to stop "this pernicious habit" which he said was prevalent in Hong Kong.

As an aftermath of the war, the words "Made in USA" have a certain import to the local public, and his client had rushed in on this sentiment, counsel for the defence asserted. His client regretted his mistake, and would eliminate the words on all his products, he said.

Mr. Hinsworth requested that the elimination be done under the supervision of the Import-Export Department's officers. He would not press for confiscation, however.

Mr. Lo returned the goods to defendant and ordered him to mark them accordingly "to keep the good name of Hong Kong in the business world."

Orders For St. John

Order by Mr. A. E. Arnold, Commissioner, Royal Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong, District Order No. 249, dated January 11, follows:

Ambulance Duties Hong Kong—January 16 to 22, Wanchoi "A" Division, January 21 to 29, Wanchoi "B" Division.

Ambulance Duties Kowloon—January 17 to 23, Sham Shui Po Division.

Paramedical Duties—Starvation, January 16 to 22, Kowloon Club, 4 p.m., Sir K. Nair Division, 4 p.m., S.C.A.A. Division, Navy Ground, 2.30 p.m., Wanchoi "A" Division, Wanchoi Street, 2.30 and 4 p.m., King Wan Division, Sunday, January 16, Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m., S.C.A.A. Division.

Annual Base Meetings—Starvation, January 14, Wanchoi Star Division; Monday, January 17, Kowloon Division; Tuesday, January 18, Central and Eastern Division; Wednesday, January 19, Wanchoi "B" Division; Saturday, January 22, Central Division.

Motor Transport will man the Mobile Ambulance on all days.

Paramedical, January 16, Annual Inspection, Caroline Hill, All Officers and O.R.s will parade at 9.30 a.m., by Divisional Officers, All Officers and O.R.s, full uniform and equipment, All Surgeons and Hong Officers will report to GPO C.W.L. Way at 9.45 a.m. sharp.

Officers' Mess Dinners—Will those officers that have not yet replied to the circular concerning this dinner please do so as soon as possible.

The weekly sketching class of the Hong Kong Art Club will be held in the New Territories, on Sunday. Members are to meet at 10.30 a.m. at the Kowloon Star Ferry.

NEXT CHANGE AT THE

KING'S

BRUTAL

AS ONLY MEN FIGHTING OVER WOMEN CAN BE!

COLUMBIA PICTURES PRESENTS

CORONER CREEK

STORY BY RONALD SCOTT

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RAYMOND STONE

MACREADY ELLIOTT BUCHANAN

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Gloves are of black velvet and are
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Come and inspect at The China
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Radio operates on Battery 110 or
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DELAHAYE—French car—latest
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Apply to China International
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FORD ANGLIA 1946/47. Excellent
condition and appearance. Many
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Owner leaving colony. \$3800
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RAW COTTON: Iranian Filstanti
Cotton, also Iranian (American
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Apply J. M. Shashoua (Hong
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POLICE NOTICE

LICENCING OF DOGS

Ordinance 21/1927 requires
that dogs be licenced. Licences are available from
January 1, 1940 and all
licences should be renewed at
the Police Station nearest to
the address at which the
animal is kept.

2. Stations at which
licences may be renewed are
Central, Western, Aberdeen,
Stanley, Shaukiwan, Bay View,
Eastern, Upper Levels, Marine
Station, Tsimshatsui, Yau Ma Tei,
Kowloon City, Hung Hom,
Mong Kok, Shamshui Po, Tsun
Wan, Castle Peak, Ping Shan,
Kam Tin, Lok Ma Chau, Sheung
Shui, Takuking, Shau Tau Kok,
Tai Po, Shau Tin, Sai Kung,
Tai O and Cheung Chau.

3. Failure to observe the
provisions of the Ordinance
may result in prosecution.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

January 12, 1940.

THE TREASURY

HONG KONG DOLLAR
LOAN, 1934.(1934 AND 1940 LOAN
ISSUES)

INTEREST COUPONS

The interest coupons due on
the 15th day of January, 1940,
will be paid on or after that
date on presentation at the
Head Office of the Hong Kong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation
or at the office of the
Chartered Bank of India, Australia
and China in Hong Kong.

H. R. HIRST,
Accountant General.

January 4, 1940.

NOTICE

POSITION VACANT

APPLICATIONS are invited
for the Post of MANAGERESS of
a GOVERNMENT HOSTEL.

The appointment will be of
a temporary nature and may
be terminated by one month's
notice being given.

SALARY will be at the rate
of \$400.00 per month plus
High Cost of Living Allow-
ance.

Applications should be sub-
mitted to the Quartering Authority
before 12.00 noon on
Monday, January 17, 1940.

The appointment will be
subject to a certificate of
medical fitness being issued by
a Government medical officer.

R. S. W. PATERSON,
Quartering Authority.

January 12, 1940.

T. E. HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

The Club's Comptrodore
Office at 1st Floor, Exchange
Building, will remain open on
Saturday 15th, Sunday 16th and
Monday 17th until 3 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

NOTICE

Mr. Carl Peter Niseeu has
been appointed Asst. Managing
Director and Mr. Beeby Peter
Charr Fletcher as Director of
our Company us from 1st
January, 1940.

JOHN MANNERS & CO. LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that Mr. H. Dreyer and Mr. B.
R. Rasmussen ceased to have
any connection with this com-
pany as from 1st January and
their powers of attorney have
been revoked.

SHEWAN, TOMES &
CO., LTD.

January 11, 1940.

NOTICE

A Quantity of New Indian Jute
Carpets, Rugs, and Stair
Carpet.

On View from Thursday, the
13th January 1940.

Terms: As Customary.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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Service Auction Rooms

A. E. B. de Souza, Auctioneer,
Auctioneers, Surveyors, etc.
Basement, French Bank Bldg.,
Apply J. M. Shashoua (Hong
Kong) Ltd., Room 155A, First
Floor Gloucester Bldg., Tel. No.
22610.

LAMMERT BROTHERS.

AUCTIONEERS, SURVEYORS AND APPRAISERS
Telephone No. 20224 Pedder Building.

On instructions received from the owners, The Orient Tobacco Manufactory C. Ingenohl Ltd., 16B, Des Voeux Road, Mezzanine Floor, Gloucester Building, Hong Kong, the undersigned have much pleasure in announcing the

SALE BY AUCTION
on Monday, 24th January, 1940
(unless previously sold)

At 3.00 o'clock in the Afternoon

AT
THE FACTORY BUILDING
OF THE ORIENT TOBACCO MANUFACTORY C. INGENOHL LTD.
At 582, Nathan Road, Mongkok, Kowloon.

Parts of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1203
Situated at Nathan Road, Mongkok, Kowloon.

PARTICULARS.

LOT NO. 1

Situate on the corner of Nathan Road and Soy Street. Area 30,625 square feet—Frontages, West side on Nathan Road, 74 Feet 11 Inches. North side on Soy Street 130 Feet. East side on proposed extension of Sui Yeung Choi Street 74 Feet 11 Inches. South side on other portion of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1203 130 Feet. This Lot is Vacant Land with the exception of 5 temporary shops fronting on Nathan Road now let on monthly tenancies.

This Lot with the next mentioned Lot represents one of the most valuable sites in the Mongkok area of Nathan Road still available for development, and is ideally situated for the erection of a modern Cinema Theatre, Hotel, Department Store or the like.

LOT NO. 2

Situate on the corner of Nathan Road and Dundas Street. Area 51,640 square feet—Frontages: West side on Nathan Road 161 Feet 4 Inches, South side on Dundas Street 320 Feet, North side on other portions of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1203 320 Feet. East side on other portions of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1203 161 Feet 4 Inches.

LOT NO. 3

Situate on the corner of Soy Street and the proposed extension of Sui Yeung Choi Street. Area: 1105 square feet. Vacant possession will be given on completion.

LOTS NO. 4 TO 9 INCLUSIVE

Situate on Soy Street. Area: 1040 square feet for each Lot. Vacant possession will be given on completion of Lots 4 to 7. Lots 8 and 9 are let as open storage on a monthly tenancy. Notice to quit has been given to the tenant.

LOT NO. 10

Situate on the corner of Soy Street and other portions of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1203. Area: 1105 square feet. This Lot is also let as open storage on a monthly tenancy. Notice to quit has been given to the tenant.

LOT NO. 11

Situate on the proposed extension of Sui Yeung Choi Street. Area: 14,435 square feet. Vacant possession will be given on completion.

LOTS NO. 12 TO 19 INCLUSIVE

Situate on proposed extension of Sui Yeung Choi Street. Area: 1040 square feet for each Lot. Vacant possession will be given on completion.

LOT NO. 20

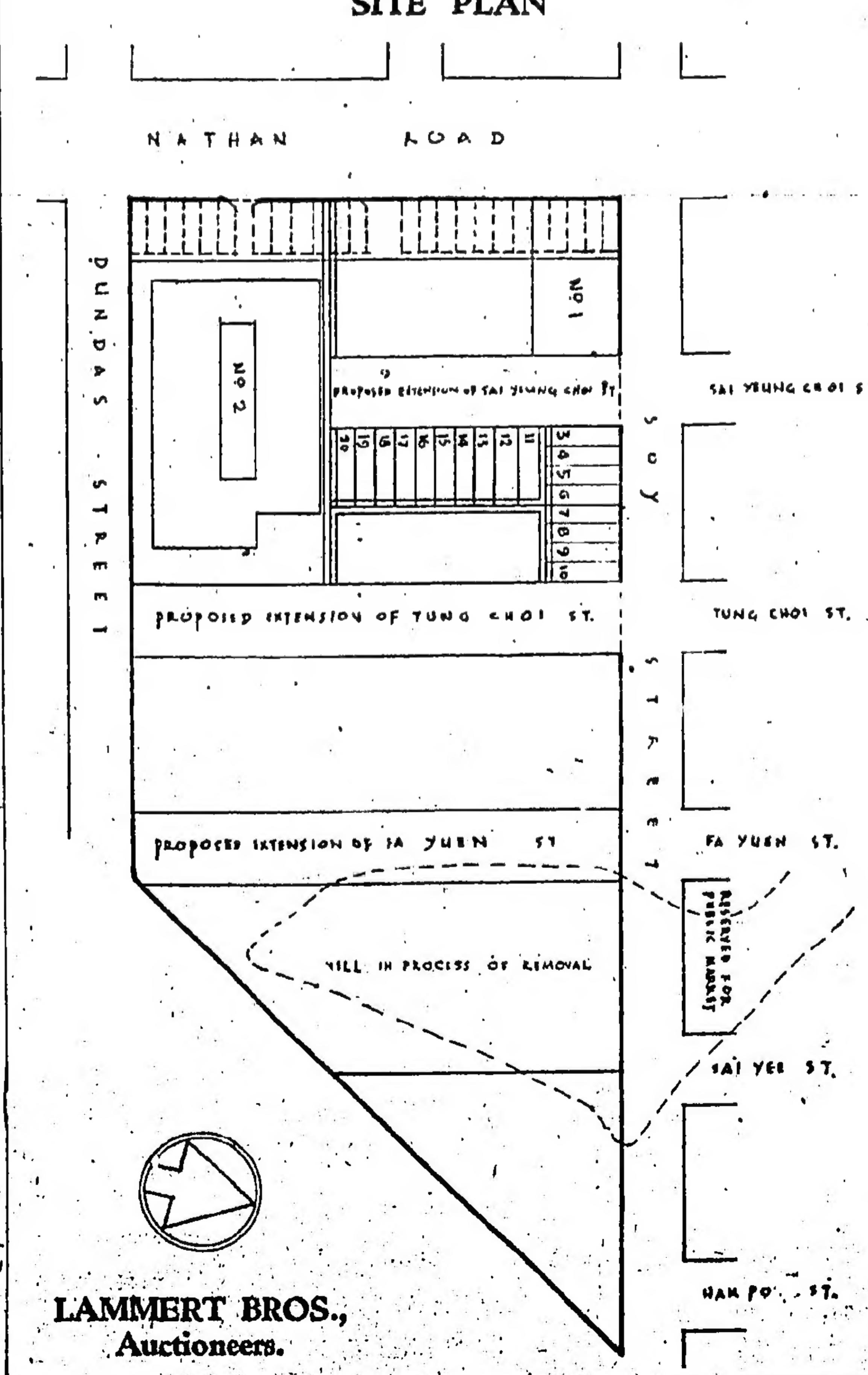
Situate on proposed extension of Sui Yeung Choi Street. Area: 14,58435 square feet. Vacant possession will be given on completion.

The Lots are held under a Crown Lease for Seventy-five years (renewable for a further term of Seventy-five years) from the 28th day of January, 1907. No building covenant is attached to the Lots sold.

The Purchaser of each Lot will be required to pay a proportion of the Crown Rent calculated at the rate of approximately \$3.00 per 1,000 square feet of the area purchased.

Copies of the Conditions of Sale can be obtained and the plan showing the situation and areas of the lots to be sold can be seen at the office of the Vendors, 16B Des Voeux Road, Central, Mezzanine Floor, Gloucester Building, or at the office of Messrs. Deacons, Solicitors for the Vendors, 1 Des Voeux Road, Central (First Floor) or at the office of the undermentioned during business hours or at the Factory Building of the Orient Tobacco Manufactory C. Ingenohl Ltd., 582 Nathan Road, Mongkok Kowloon.

SITE PLAN



CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Here Washington threw a dollar across the Rappahannock—at present inflation rates it is estimated that dollar would go only nine-sixteenths of the way at 12¢!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepheard-Barclay

The Authorised Authorised

People are different

If no other purpose were
back of his invention, the dev-
eloping of hedge as a means
of discarding differences between
people would be sufficient cause
for its coming into existence.
There are of course many re-
spects in which the same im-
ports contrasts in human type.
One of the most interesting is
the tendency of some players to
take definite, positive action on
practically every available occa-
sion, whereas others enjoy
restraining themselves as long
as possible and then surprising
everybody with a sudden, startling
move. Sometimes one method
produces the better results,
sometimes the other, depending
on various factors.

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H Q 8 2
D 7 4 2
C A K 7 4
S 0 H A K 8 4
D K J 10
W E D 3
C Q 9 6
C 3 6
S K J 8 0 4 2
H None
C A 0 9 0
C 10 8
West, Both sides
(Dealer: vulnerable.)

West North East South
1. 1 H Pass 2 H Pass
3. 3 H Pass 4 H 4 H
Pass Pass 5 H Pass
Pass (Dbl) 6 H Pass
2. 2 H Dbl Pass 1 H
4 H 4 S Dbl Rdbl
4 H 4 S Dbl Rdbl

S A K J 10 7 6
H None
D B 5 4 3
C A J 8

Where both North and South
passed until their opponents had
arrived at a game bid in hearts,
and then South came in with his
4-Spades, this made it sound to
East as if South was terribly

What is the soundest play of
this tournament deal at 0-Spades
after the

Scott Rides Again



Two-Gun Western

It is useless to argue with someone about the type of picture he prefers. Therefore, merely let it be said that for those of you who like Westerns, preferably of the two-gun, two-fisted, no-holds-barred variety, "Coroner Creek" is showing at the King's this week.

From Luke Short's famous knuckled American, a unique story of cowboy vengeance and love in the country. Columbia Pictures has come up with a Cine-colour film that holds with the spirit and fury of the Old West. At times the pot-boiler is, but no true Western fan will be bothered by the fact that much of the sound and fury signifies nothing.

Stars of the film are Randolph Scott, who probably will still be foiling, hip-shooting villains another 20 years from now, and the ever attractive Marguerite Chapman.

From the opening sequence of an Indian and on a stagecoach, the picture moves with the frenzied speed (and the seashell clatter) of a runaway horse. A renegade white man, leader of the Indians, takes captive Scott's fiancee, who subsequently commits suicide. Scott, in typical Hollywood phraseology, becomes gun-crazy with hate for the betrayer of his beloved and vows with a cold, white fury that she will be avenged. Obtaining a description of the renegade, he tracks him to the town of Coroner Creek, Arizona, and proceeds to undermine his powerful and influential position in the community of ranchers.

Scott joins forces with Sally Ellers, a salty-tongued rancher, who at the time is contesting the right to some land with the bad-man George Macready. Before he establishes her ownership, he encounters—and beats—Forrest Tucker, Macready's brutal henchman, in a fusiling fist fight.

Turning in another of his deadpan performances as the rugged man of action, Scott shares billing this time with Marguerite Chapman, a straight-shooting hotel keeper whom he learns to love.

Sally Ellers, who may be remembered by some as a seven-favourite of the early '30s, might have been luckier in her choice of role for a picture intended to be her come-back.

The rest of the cast, including old-timers Edgar Buchanan and Wallace Ford, perform their duties as they have in the past.

Best Known Horse Alive

The system that makes Hollywood stars start 40 years ago with a horse, and that horse had an audience which no star, so far, has come up to.

The horse was Dan Patch, and in 1906 he became the best-known critter alive. A lot of movie stars would crawl down Vine Street for half that horse's price.

Every kitchen in the country had a calendar with his picture on it. Children knew who he was before they could read about him. He used to tour the country in a private railroad car, with a retinue of trainers.

There always was a special parade when he arrived in town, and the crowds that followed him round haven't been equaled since.

Dan Patch now has received Hollywood's highest gift for fame. They're making a movie about him, called "Dan Patch." The producer is W. R. Frank.

Before Royalty

"Dan Patch," says Frank, "was such a great star he gets two command performances before British royalty. Can Gable say that?"

If it hadn't been for Patch's owner, a Minneapolis stock feed manufacturer named W. M. Savage, the system of making stars might not have been thought of.

A flock of advanced men used to cover the countryside when Dan Patch was coming to town," Savage said. "People came from miles around. Schools closed. Business men locked their doors. Everybody came to see Dan Patch run agains time."

Just like a movie star, Dan Patch endorsed cigars and everything else, including baby bugles. Fan mail started with Dan Patch. He also sent out autographed photos, stamped with a footprint. Several million copies were printed of "The Autobiography of Dan Patch." A railroad in the North West was named after him—the Dan Patch Line—and it's still running.

"You talk about people coming to Hollywood to see the stars," Frank sniffed. "Outside of Minnesota, after he stopped touring, they built a grandstand to hold the crowds that came out to see him march on a carpet."

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SHOWING TODAY AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.

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THE FIFTY-SEVENTH INSTALMENT

CRUSADE IN EUROPE

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Own Story Of The War In Europe



strength, was approximately 4,700 fighters, 6,000 light, medium, and heavy bombers, and 4,000 reconnaissance, transport, and other types.

While this build-up was proceeding during the autumn months there was, as originally planned, much to be done operationally. In the North, besides capturing the approaches to Antwerp, it was desirable to make progress toward closing the Rhine, because it was from this region that our heaviest attacks would be launched in the crossing of that river. Farther South, on Bradley's front, it was advantageous to conduct preliminary operations looking toward the final destruction of all German forces remaining West of the Rhine. Thus we would not only deplete the forces available for the later defence of the river but we would also secure the areas in the Saar region from which we planned to launch strong attacks in conjunction with those in the North, when we were ready to envelop the Ruhr.

In the autumn fighting we again encountered our old enemy, the weather. The June storm on the beaches had established a forty-year record for severity. Again in the autumn the floods broke another meteorological record extending back over decades. By November 1 many of the rivers were out of their banks and weather conditions along the whole front slowed up our attacks. In spite of those conditions we proceeded with the general plan of building up great bases and communications to the borders of Germany, closing the Rhine with initial emphasis on the left, preparing for the destruction of the

German forces West of the river, throughout its length, and getting ready to launch the final assaults toward the heart of Germany.

Capture of the approaches to Antwerp was a difficult operation. The Scheldt Estuary was heavily mined, and the German forces on Walcheren Island and South Beveland Island completely dominated the water routes leading to the city. It was unfortunate that we had not been successful in seizing the area during our great South Eastward reach in the early days of September.

Reduction of these strongholds required a joint naval, air, and ground operation. Montgomery gave General Gruen of the Canadian First Army responsibility for developing and executing the plans. Preparatory work was started shortly after the city fell into our hands on September 4.

To Be Continued

CANTONESE BY RADIO
BY SK LEE

Lesson 13.

Vocabulary:

67. (ying) ying¹
68. (koi) goy¹
69. (tse) dzeh¹
70. (sam) sum¹

Useful phrase:

(9) "M goy¹ nay"
(10) "Daw¹ dzeh¹ nay"
(11) "Nay¹ yau sum¹"
(12) "Hoh¹ wah"

Thank you (for something done).
Please. Sorry.
Thank you (for something given).
Thank you. You are kind.
Don't mention it.

Ought. Should.
Ought not. Shouldn't.
Kind-hearted.

You should do in this way.
You shouldn't give him money.

Please tell me.

How are you?
I am well, thank you.

And you?
Fine, thanks.

Combinations:

1. "Ying goy¹".
2. "M ying¹ goy¹".
3. "Hoh¹ sum¹".

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Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's Own Story Of The War In Europe

In Europe

With the advent of bad weather, road maintenance presented additional problems to the Services of Supply because of the shallow foundations of many of the European roads, particularly in Belgium. In numerous instances our heavy trucks broke completely through the surfaces of main highways and it seemed almost impossible to fill the resulting gullies with sufficient stone and gravel to restore them to a semblance of usefulness.

To reduce dependence on roads we brought in quantities of rail-ways rolling stock to replace that destroyed earlier in the war. To do this expeditiously, railway engineers developed a simple scheme that was adopted with splendid results. Heavy equipment like railway cars can normally be brought into the theatre of war by prepared docks. Unloading is laborious because of the need for using only the heaviest kind of cranes and booms. Our engineers, however, merely laid railway tracks in the bottom of LSTs. They then laid railway lines down to the water's edge at the beaches of embarkation and debarkation and, by arranging flexible connections between ground tracks and those in the LSTs, simply rolled the cars in and out of the ships. But while waging and winning during the autumn months, the lack of supply, there was no cessation of fighting along the front.

Our ground forces, while not yet at peak strength, continued constantly to increase. On August 1 our divisional strength on the Continent was thirty-five, with four American and two British divisions in the United Kingdom. By October 1 our aggregate strength on the Continent including the Sixth Army Group, which had advanced through the South of France was fifty-four divisions, with six still moving through the United Kingdom. All our divisions were short in infantry replacements, and in total numerical strength of ground forces the Germans still had a marked advantage. We were disposed along a line which, beginning in the North on the banks of the Rhine, stretched five hundred miles Southward to the border of Switzerland. To the South of that country detachments were posted on the French-Italian border to guard against raids on our lines of communication by the Germans in Italy.

This meant that, counting all types of divisions—infantry, armoured, and airborne—we could, on the average, deploy less than one division to each ten miles of front.

In view of all these conditions there was much to be said for an early assumption of the defensive in order to conserve all our strength for building up the logistic system and to avoid the suffering of a winter campaign. I declined to adopt such a course, and all principal commanders agreed with me that it was to our advantage to push the fighting.

One important consideration that indicated the advantage of keeping up our offensives to the limit of our troop and logistical capacity was the knowledge that in order to replace his great losses of July, August, and September the enemy was hastily organising and equipping new divisions. In many instances he was compelled to bring these troops into the lines with but sketchy training. Initially they had a low order of efficiency, and attacks against them were far less costly than they would become later as these new enemy formations succeeded in perfecting their training and their defensive installations.

Intelligence agencies were required to make exhaustive daily analyses of enemy losses on all parts of the front. The purpose was to avoid attacks in those areas where the balance sheet in losses showed any tendency to

such concentrated form as to produce among defending forces a shock that is scarcely obtainable with any amount of artillery.

For pinpointing of accessible targets, the air was normally not so effective as artillery. Moreover, against general targets, air power did not destroy—it damaged.

An industrial area was never eliminated by a single raid and, indeed, rarely obliterated

beyond partial repair even by repeated bombings. Lines of communication were never, except in extended periods of good weather, completely severed beyond any hope of use. But the air did deplete the usefulness of anything it attacked and, given ideal flying conditions and when used in large concentrations, could carry this process of destruction to near perfection.

Air attack by a single combat plane is a fleeting thing, and the results achieved do not always conform to first estimates. Air reports of destroyed vehicles, particularly armoured vehicles, were always too optimistic by far. This was not the fault of pilots. Each fighter-bomber airplane was equipped with a movie camera which automatically recorded the apparent results of every attack. The films were examined at bases

Ardenne, and made the air force of little use to us in the first week of that battle. Moreover, by its nature, the air cannot stay constantly at the front; each plane must return periodically to its base for refuelling and servicing. This limited the number present at the front to a fraction of the total numbers available.

Occasionally enemy planes could therefore strafe our front lines, even though in over-all numbers our air strength was relatively overwhelming.

The air force had other important uses. One of these was to attack the enemy's supply lines.

Still another was that of increasing the decisiveness of the ground battle. Every ground commander seeks the battle of annihilation, so far as conditions permit, he tries to duplicate in modern war the classic example of Cannae. In the beginning of a great campaign, battles of annihilation are possible, only against some isolated portion of the enemy's entire force.

Destruction of bridges, culverts, railways, roads, and canals by the air force tends to isolate the force under attack, even if the severance of its communications is not complete.

In the fall of 1944 our air strength, in operational units, including the associated bomber

obviously a rush job for the Government, even before the provision of quarters for civil servants. Also, the necessity strikes one in the face for all dangerous goods godowns to have in charge a qualified supervisor who knows chemicals. Little was said, but many people thought about the goods dumped at sea towards the end of last year by a company which was justifiably afraid to store them.

Another, and ostensibly excellent idea, is still presumably being considered by the authorities—that cement ships, anchored in the roads, be chartered to house dangerous goods labelled as such at their source, in accordance with local regulations.

All this, however, is skirting round the crux of the problem. The fact is that no families should be allowed to live above godowns containing materials which might erupt into fire and death. Where would the evicted people go?—This is

If this scheme is not adopted, why should inflammable chemicals, celluloids, etc., be allowed to simmer in tropical heat in residential areas of the Colony at all? Their volume and weight are not large, and they could easily be stored in some safe and empty area in the New Territories or away from housing in the Island.

Can you recognize where this picture was taken? The answer is in Page Seven.

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REPORTS OF CABINET SPLIT

Revolt Against Palestine Policy?

U.S. APPEALS TO BRITAIN

Washington, January 12. The United States has urged Britain, Israel and Egypt to use the greatest restraint in the Middle East crisis, to safeguard the Jewish-Egyptian truce talks which are to begin tomorrow, the Acting Secretary of State (Mr. Robert Lovett) said today.

Mr. Lovett told a news conference that the United States made formal pleas for calmness both before and after the shooting down of five British planes by the Jewish forces last Friday. The United States' primary concern is to preserve peace, and the United States thinks the truce parleys have promising prospects of success, he said.

Mr. Lovett said he has seen nothing to justify reports that the Middle Eastern situation has hurt Anglo-American relations.—United Press.

Customs Seize Gem Fortune

London, January 12. Gems unofficially estimated to be worth £500,000 were seized by the customs authorities today in a London safe deposit box stored under the name of "Onbo Colombo."

According to the Evening News, the depositor is an Italian who brought the jewels to Britain before the last war. The hoard consists of 300 pieces, including rings, watches, brooches, pendants and bracelets.

There are gold and platinum pieces studded with diamonds, rubies, sapphires, pearls, onyx and emeralds.

Official notices of the seizure said the jewels were brought into Britain without customs or other duties being first paid.

If the owner makes a claim, legal proceeding will be instituted for the forfeiture and condemnation of the property. Colombo can dispute that the property is liable by forfeiture by filing a writ within one calendar month from the date of the notice, which was published last night.—Reuter.

Middle East As Moscow Sees It

Moscow, January 13. The Russian public was told today that Britain is getting ready to go to war in the Near East.

A despatch from the Beirut correspondent of Tass, the Russian news agency, said that the newspapers there reported in bold headlines preparations by the Royal Navy for a blockade of Israel.

The despatch said that communications from Cairo told of British armies near the Suez Canal being prepared for battle.

It said also that the Arab Legion has gone under the British Supreme Command, that the British have commanded all Transjordan's transport for moving her armies and that British officers and soldiers are patrolling the streets of Amman, Transjordan's capital.—Associated Press.

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Political Anxiety Over Events In Middle East

London, January 12.

An unusually long sitting of the Cabinet today heightened speculation about the possibility of a Government crisis over Palestine. One newspaper report said the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, is leading a Cabinet "revolt" against the Middle East policy of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

Rumours equally unconfirmed declared that Mr. Bevin, due to face a critical session of Parliament next week on the recent events in Palestine, is on the verge of resigning.

The West Is Winning The "Cold War"

Boston, January 12.

Mr. Francis B. Sayre, United States delegate to the United Nations General Assembly meeting in Paris, believes the Western powers are winning the cold war against Russia.

Mr. Sayre said chances for peace now appear to be considerably brighter than a year ago.

In the struggle between Western philosophy, law, order, and justice and Russia's belief in rule by sheer material power, Mr. Sayre said, those supporting the former are in the ascendant.

"The nation which plays a lone hand for selfish power is bound to lose in the twentieth century world."

"The dice are heavily loaded against us," he said.—United Press.

COMMONWEALTH MINISTERS TO MEET IN EAST

London, January 12.

A Commonwealth Foreign Ministers conference will be held, possibly in the near future, at Colombo.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will make a statement on Commonwealth consultations when the House of Commons resumes on January 18.

The Government is not aggrieved by the Indian Prime Minister's sponsorship of an Asian conference.

Britain hopes Holland will put forward reasonable, comprehensive proposals as an interim Government of Indonesia can be formed, to be followed by free elections and the formation of a United States of Indonesia to which sovereignty would be transferred.—United Press.

Israeli Charges Denied In London

London, January 12.

Israeli charges that Britain has supplied arms to Arab States in contravention of the United Nations Security Council arms embargo were denied today by a Foreign Office spokesman.

Contravention of that embargo had been undertaken on a massive scale in the interests of Israel, the spokesman added. He said he would not deal with certain Israeli allegations made in a letter to the Security Council yesterday by the

Israeli representative, Mr. Avi Eban, about British naval operations in the Eastern Mediterranean and British military manoeuvres in Tripolitania, since they do not fall within his competence.

"We deny categorically that we have ever sent any military supplies to any Arab State in contravention of the arms embargo," the spokesman said.

"If there is a threat to peace resulting from the Palestine situation, this derives from the persistent violations of the Security Council's truce by the Israeli authorities."

"It seems to us that the interests of peace can best be served by vindicating the authority of the Security Council in the Palestine dispute."

"We hope that all member States will address their policies to that end."

The spokesman said he believes 90 per cent of the arms reaching Israel come from Eastern European countries. He would not name the countries concerned but said Czechoslovakia is not the sole source.

The spokesman would neither confirm nor deny reports about a large arms contract between the Israeli authorities and the Caproni Company of Italy.

The spokesman also denied the Israeli charges in the Security Council yesterday that British troops movements to the Transjordan Red Sea port of Akaba are a threat to Israel.—Reuter.

TANKER BLOWS UP IN HARBOUR

Rio de Janeiro, January 12.

The Brazilian oil tanker, Iamurati, blew up in Rio de Janeiro Bay today, killing one person and injuring 10 more, including some shore workers. Another person is missing.

All ships in the area were called on for assistance.

The vessel, of 5,726 tons, is owned by Lloyd Brasileiro Patrimonio Nacional. The explosion occurred in the three forward tanks which were empty except for fumes.

A small fire followed but was promptly extinguished by Lloyds and the municipal fire brigade.

The cause of the explosion is not known, the captain said.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI FIRE

Shanghai, January 13.

At least 3,000 people were rendered homeless last evening by a fire which gutted 600 tenements in the Northern district of Shanghai.

One perished in the fire, which started when a child overturned a kerosene stove while cooking.—Reuter.

London Denounces U.S. Attitude On Palestine Crisis

London, January 12.

A Foreign Office spokesman tonight denounced the United States' attitude toward the Palestine crisis.

He said also that the Soviet Government is supporting the illegal despatch of arms from Czechoslovakia to Israel.

The spokesman used words strong for diplomatic usage in lashing out at the other two nations which, with Britain, made up the wartime Big Three.

At the same time, he called for putting into full effect the Security Council resolutions on Palestine which call for troop withdrawals in South Palestine. This would take away from the Jews gains in two campaigns fought toward the end of last year.

For the first time, there has been official mention of the possibility that the Palestine conflict may spread beyond the Middle East. The spokesman said the current situation threatens peace and security.

U.S. Criticised

For the second consecutive day, a British spokesman took the unusual step of making a formal statement on the dispute which came to a head last Friday with the shooting down of five British planes in the Palestine-Egypt border area.

Obviously, the spokesman acted with full support of the Cabinet, which met in full session for the first time since Christmas.

The spokesman, demanding that the United Nations' orders on Palestine be carried out to the letter, said: "The British Government notes with regret the apparent reluctance of the United States Government to range itself squarely behind these resolutions."

The spokesman complained that public opinion in the United States seems to lean to the attitude that the British tend to blind opposition to the Jews and unrelenting support of the Arabs. He said that is not the case.

"So far from pursuing a pro-Arab policy, the British Government have co-operated loyally in implementing the arms embargo which, through cutting off normal supplies of the Arab countries at a time when the embargo was being constantly violated in the interests of the Jews, has in fact operated strongly in favour of the Jews and against the Arabs.

"In these circumstances, the only possible policy for His Majesty's Government and, one would have supposed, for the United States Government, is to range themselves solidly behind the resolutions of the Security Council."—United Press.

Pilot's Story Of Shooting Down

London, January 12.

One of the four Royal Air Force Spitfire pilots shot down by Israeli forces last Friday in the Negev told correspondents in Tel Aviv today that he was over Israel territory when shots from Jewish ground troops set his plane on fire.

He is Pilot Officer Frank Harvey Close, attached to the RAF Reconnaissance Wing at the Suez Canal base.

Close was seen by three correspondents, with his consent, in the Jewish Military Hospital near Tel Aviv. He said he could not say whether his flight leader knew they were on the Israeli side of the frontier. His leader was flying at 500 feet.

"When my plane was fired upon I pulled up and the plane caught fire immediately. I jumped."

Close said that up to that time his flight had encountered neither anti-aircraft fire nor hostile planes.

Asked whether he knew another British plane had been shot down into the sea off the Israeli coast a few weeks earlier, Close said he had read about it in an Egyptian newspaper.

Not To Fire

He and the others had instructions what to do if they ran into trouble. These were in no circumstances to fire on ground targets even in reply, and to shoot it out against hostile planes only as a last resort if trapped and outmaneuvered.

Close said they were ordered to evade action if engaged by aircraft. The British pilots were instructed not to use Egyptian landing fields.

It forced to bail out or land, they were to try to do so along a main road, otherwise to make across country to Ismailia.

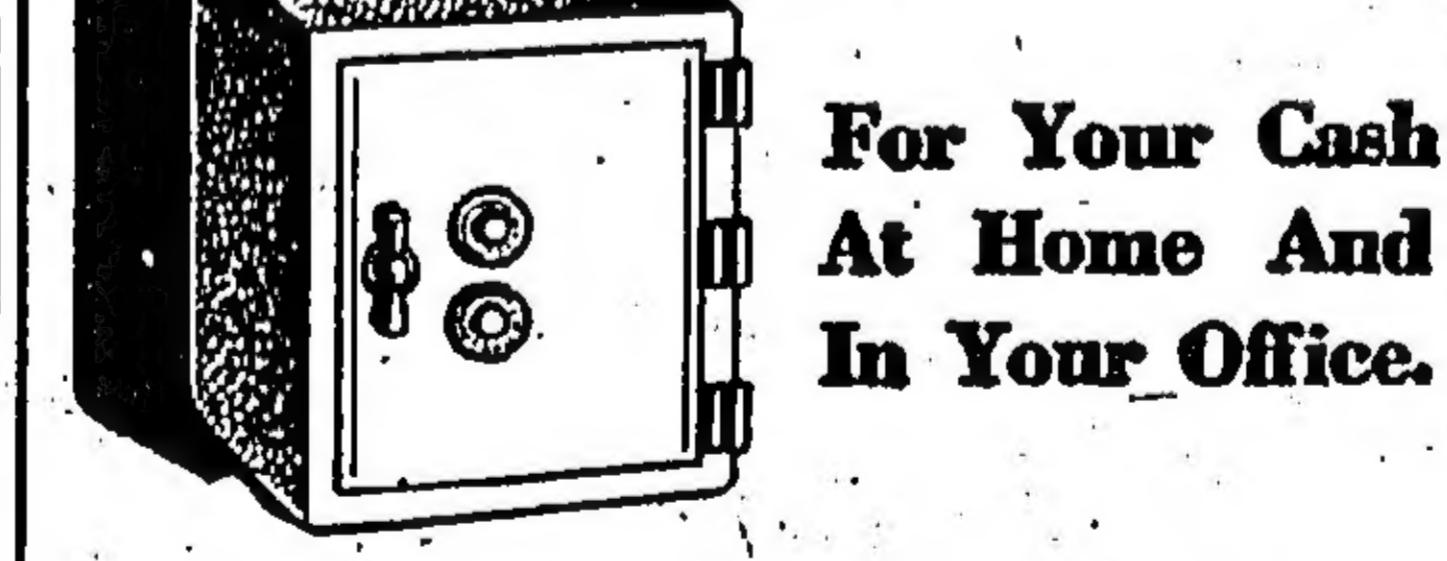
He described the Suez Desert as an unhealthy area in what appeared to be a reference to possible danger from hostile Arabs.

Close said that when he parachuted it was near some Jewish troops who gave him first aid and sent him to Beersheba Military Hospital. Asked about his treatment in hospital, he commented: "They persist in trying to overfeed me."

London Reaction

In London, an Air Ministry spokesman had no immediate comment to make on the interview.

Two Air Ministry statements issued since the five RAF planes were shot down have emphasised that British Middle East recon-



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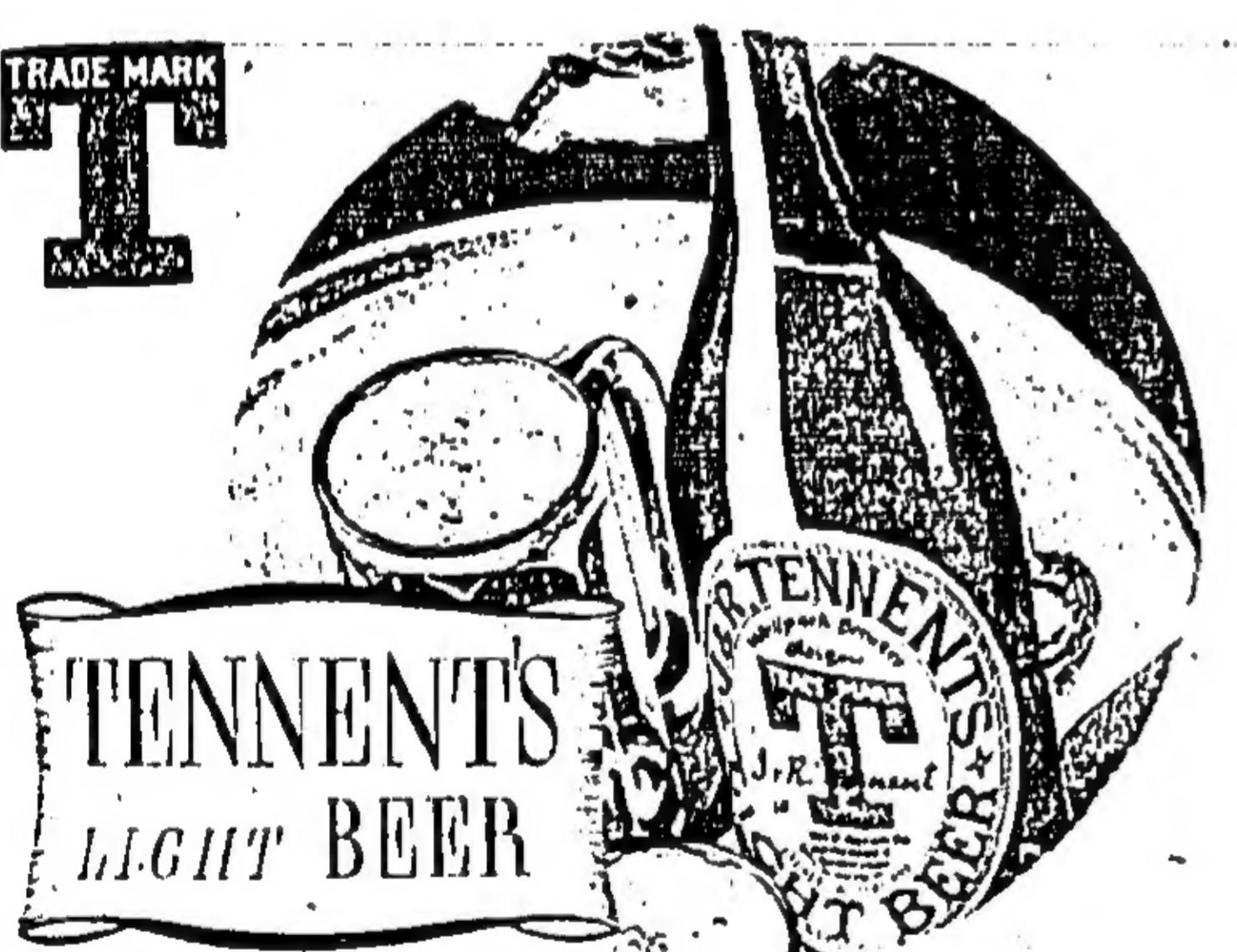


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GUERILLA ATTACK ON JOGJAKARTA ADMITTED

Batavia, January 13.
The Dutch report a damaging guerrilla attack on Jogjakarta, the Republic's fallen capital, but say the raiders paid heavily in casualties. The Indonesian guerrillas plunged Jogjakarta into darkness by destroying a transformer station in a raid on Monday night and also cut telephone lines and attempted to set fires.

Main power lines were untouched and the damage has already been repaired. The Dutch do not say whether fires actually were set by the raiders. This first Dutch admission of trouble in the former capital and the attacking force, was wiped out for the greater part and only two Dutch soldiers were wounded.

The guerrillas' underground hillside radio claimed one band annihilated a Dutch occupation force at the town of Bandulung, 50 miles North of West of Jogjakarta, and still holds it.

The radio said other raiding bands swept out of the hills in the same area attacking other towns, and waged harassing sorties in West Java.

There is no confirmation of these reports from Dutch sources.

Sockarno Failed

It is disclosed that even as the Dutch were seizing Jogjakarta on the night of December 19, the Republican President, Mr. Sockarno, and other leaders were writing a plan to fight back by means of sabotage.

Racing through the city, Dutch patroopers captured Mr. Sockarno and other leaders before the President could deliver a prepared radio speech telling his people to fight the Dutch with every mental and physical force.

The text declared: "Holland never can smash our fighting spirit or erase or decrease the independence of the people."

Guerrilla forces in East Java are now concentrated East of Madura, 100 miles to the East of Jogjakarta, under Major-General Soenarko, formerly Republican Military Governor of East Java. Republican sources claimed to-day.

Investiture At Palace

London, January 12. King George will hold an Investiture at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, March 1.

This will be the first major function which the King has held since his illness was announced last November 22.

Special arrangements will be made to enable the King to sit while conferring the honours and decorations, because the strain of standing up for two hours or longer will be too much, in the opinion of his doctors.

According to Palace circles, the fact that the King's doctors are permitting him to undertake this duty should not be interpreted as indicating that his recovery is complete or that he will undertake any public engagements outside the Palace before the summer at the earliest.—Reuter.

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Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are required to distribute them with discrimination and to conduct their passes on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employer's stands.

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Aspirins Give Them Headache

Singapore, January 13.
Aspirins are giving the Singapore Medical Department a headache.

They're trying to sell 4,000,000 aspirin tablets. They were brought in by the Army at the time of the liberation and gradually accumulated during the period of the British Military Administration. — Associated Press.

Crew Walks Off Vessel

Baltimore, January 12. The Canadian freighter Ivor Rita was pickeled today by its crew of 19 Britons in a walkout over a wage dispute.

The strike threatens to prevent the ship from sailing tomorrow with a Marshall Plan cargo of grain for Europe.

The crew, all members of the British National Union of Seafarers, contend that they should be paid the higher wage scale of the Canadian Seamen's Union because the Ivor Rita is registered in Canada. The crew say they will be scrapping Canadian sailors if they accept a lower pay scale.

A resolution, given to the ship's master and the British Consulate here, said that if the demands are not met, the men will endeavour to force them by refusing to take the ship to sea.—United Press.

PAL ESTABLISH NEW RECORD

San Francisco, January 13. Philippine Air Lines yesterday completed air shipment of 63,000 pounds of the drug streptomycin to the Philippine Islands.

It calls the shipment the greatest such movement in history. The drug was ordered by the Philipine Department of Health and Public Welfare from a firm in New Jersey. The air shipment of the cargo required 10 days on special and regular cargo flights.

Associated Press.

DANGER OF ANTI-WEST BLOC BEING FORMED AT NEW DELHI TALKS

Washington, January 12.
Far Eastern observers believe that strong action by the Security Council on the Indonesian problem will profoundly affect the forthcoming conference at New Delhi.

Observers say that if the Council action demonstrates that the big powers truly support the Indonesians it will militate against the formation of an anti-white bloc.

Aircraft Company Summoned

London, January 12. A London aircraft company and its Australian Director were charged with gun-running in France at a London police court today.

The charges allege that a Lancastrian aircraft, owned by the Aeronautical and Industrial Research Corporation, carried 17 cases containing 20 millimetre anti-aircraft guns with ammunition at Etreux, France, about May 11 last year.

The Managing Director, Mr. Frederick Cotton, 51-year-old pioneer aviator, is alleged to have aided and abetted in the offence.

The summons were adjourned indefinitely.

Counsel for the defence said that Mr. Cotton had flown back specially from the East to hear the summons, but an legal advice is not appearing personally.

In the opinion of the defence there is a complete answer to the charges. There had been a certain amount of publicity, but Mr. Cotton is not ashamed of anything that he has done.

Reuter.

Island Captured By Burma Rebels

Rangoon, January 13. Burmese Army and Navy forces put out from Rangoon today on an expedition to recapture Bilugyun Island off the Burma coast from separatist forces.

Agreement In Berlin

Berlin, January 12. The "Eastern" and "Western" Administrations of Berlin reached agreement today when the "Eastern" Magistrate consented to take over control of the Waldhaus tuberculosis hospital at Sommerfeld, in the Soviet Zone, owned by the British sector of Charlottenburg.

The decision was taken to prevent the hospital coming under the control of the Soviet Zone.

The Government spokesman said that Bilugyun, near Moulmein and a night's steamer trip from here, was garrisoned by civilian police only when 200 rebels swarmed across the narrow strait separating the Island from the mainland to occupy key positions.

He said Government forces hope to recapture the Island within two or three days.

The Government suspended passenger and freight operations in the Burmese delta area on Tuesday because of repeated attacks on its steamers.

A band reported to be led by Communists seized the Island of Rumree off the coast near Akyab on Tuesday, a Government communiqué said. Government forces are being sent to aid islanders still holding out.

Two sharp clashes on the mainland are reported. The Government said it lost five killed and that rebel casualties were heavy.—Associated Press.

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—Ambrose and His Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—London Theatre Orchestra.

1.15 p.m.—"Weather Report and

Orchestr. Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—"Music for You," . . . Geraldo & His Orchestra with The Geraldo Singers, Carole Carr and Denny Vaughn (Vocal) (OBRS)

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—"Gershwin Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Cantata by Radio, Given by Miss Lee Wan Lan & B. K. Lee (Studio)

6.50 p.m.—Xavier Cugat and His Waldorf Astoria Orchestra.

7.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

7.15 p.m.—Sporting Review. (Studio)

7.30 p.m.—Close Down. (Studio)

8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay)

8.10 p.m.—"Born to be King" by Dorothy L. Sayers. (BBCB) 4th Part: "Music from the Kingdom."

8.27 p.m.—"A Story: "Here comes the Copper" by Henry Wade. Read by Peter York and His Concert Orchestra, with Paula Green and Steve Conway. (BBCB)

9.35 p.m.—Concert presented by Peggy Cochrane, Albert Sandler's Trio and Jack Payne's Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Item. (London Relay)

10.15 p.m.—"Weather Report.

10.18 p.m.—"Sweet Serenade" Peter York and His Concert Orchestra.

10.35 p.m.—Concert presented by Peggy Cochrane, Albert Sandler's Trio and Jack Payne's Orchestra.

10.40 p.m.—"Music from the Film "Fantasia."

10.45 p.m.—"Weather Report.

10.50 p.m.—"Sweet Serenade" Peter York and His Concert Orchestra, with Paula Green and Steve Conway. (BBCB)

11.00 p.m.—"Think on These Things" (BBCB)

11.15 p.m.—"Weather Report and Close Down.

BEAUTY QUEEN WAS STRANGLED

Romford, January 12.

The inquest on Mrs. Lillian Thomas, 31-year-old former beauty queen, who was found dead in the kitchen of her home in Chestnut Avenue, Romford, was opened here today and adjourned till after the end of criminal proceedings.

He writes: "It has never been my practice to prophesy, but information has reached me recently that such a programme does exist and that the Communist Party will endeavour to apply it to this country and that August, 1949, is the deadline for action."

Mr. Deakin told reporters to-day that he will be placing people in considerable jeopardy if he discloses his source of information.

He has not communicated his information to the Government or to the General Council of the Trades Union Congress.

Mr. Harry Pollitt, Secretary General of the Communist Party, said there is not a word of truth in Mr. Deakin's statement.—Reuter.

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General Workers Union, of which he is Secretary General, Mr. Deakin suggests that the Communists aim to wreck the Marshall Plan.

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HONG KONG ONLY BRITISH BASTION IN THE PACIFIC

Forrestal Asks New Powers

Washington, January 12. The Defence Secretary, Mr. James Forrestal, has asked Congress for authority to send American military missions to all parts of the world, wherever they may serve the global interest of the United States.

Senators learned of Mr. Forrestal's project today as the Senate Armed Services Committee met in secret session.

A military mission usually includes officers, technicians and experts but no regular organised units.

During the last war, authority existed to send these missions anywhere.

Mr. Forrestal informed the Senators that three types of military missions should be authorised:

1. General military assistance.

2. An inter-American co-operation plan, which in effect will be a military assistance bill for the American Republics.

3. Missions to fit the pattern of global interests.—Reuter.

Retaliation By British

Berlin, January 13. The British Military Governor, General Sir Brian Robertson, today banned the importation of any Soviet-licensed newspaper, film, book or other German-language publication into the British Zone of Germany.

Today's order was similar to the ban decreed by General Robertson on November 10, but in a revised form intended to give the ban a tighter legal basis and close the loopholes through which Soviet-licensed publications have been leaking through.

In an appendix to the order, it is stated that the action follows a recent Soviet order prohibiting the distribution of British-licensed literature in the Soviet Zone.

The order does not exclude Soviet-licensed editions of standard school works. Technical magazines, scientific books and other publications of a utilitarian or strictly non-partisan nature will be allowed.

The United States military authorities have similar restrictive orders covering their Zone. They apply to all Soviet-licensed publications irrespective of their nature.—Reuter.

Died The Day Before Show

New York, January 12. The death occurred here today of Willie Howard, 62, star of Variety and the Broadway musical stage in the Ziegfeld era.

Mr. Howard died in the Polyclinic Hospital after a six-week illness.

The sad-eyed little comedian, who introduced "Sweet Adeline" and who made famous the song skit "Pay The Man Two Dollars," died just a day before a musical in which he was to star was to open on Broadway.—United Press.

Press Peer Explains His Political Policy

London, January 12. Lord Beaverbrook, owner of the *Daily Express*, which has a circulation of 4,000,000 copies, explained his politics today following a report that he is no longer a Conservative.

In an interview with A. J. Cummings, political commentator of the *Liberal News Chronicle*, Lord Beaverbrook was asked if he intends to give whole-hearted or modified support to Mr. Winston Churchill and the Conservative Party in the next general election.

His reply, according to Mr. Cummings, was: "That will depend upon the policy developed by Mr. Churchill and the Conservative Party. If it is an Empire policy I am with them. If not, I oppose them."

Lord Beaverbrook said his politics are what they have always been, as set forth in his 1924 book "Politicians and the Press."

Mr. Cummings quoted a passage from that book: "In the Empire and not in Europe our future lies."

The paragraph quoting Lord Beaverbrook as saying he is no longer a Conservative appeared in his own London Evening Standard last week. It declared he will not renew his subscription to the Conservative Party associa-

Oasis In Desert Of Destruction

London, January 12. Mr. A. Comyns-Carr, K.C., British prosecutor at the major Japanese war trials, today said that Hong Kong is the sole remaining bastion of British prestige in the Pacific.

"Hong Kong is an oasis of prosperity in a desert of desolation and destruction," he said. "The calamities of the Kuomintang in China have given greater opportunities to the little Colony, which is one place in the Pacific which is able to rely on British administration."

Mr. Comyns-Carr said the collapse of China was due to exhaustion, coupled with mis-government, which had crippling effects on Shanghai and other treaty ports handed over to China after the war.

Mr. Comyns-Carr compared the Chinese Communist policy to that of General MacArthur in Japan.

Mr. Comyns-Carr told the Royal Empire Society: "The Chinese Communist Party, so far as can be gathered from accounts of Europeans remaining in their areas and from the texts of their documents, is primarily an agrarian reform party."

Their new agrarian law appears to be no more drastic on the whole than one adopted under General MacArthur's pressure on Japan. Both are merely schemes for redistribution of existing cultivated areas among cultivators, including existing owners."

Mr. Comyns-Carr said he had no intention of being provocative or critical of MacArthur's magnificent job but simply wished to emphasise that MacArthur's policy can be taken as an example of the most effective measures to counter Communism.

Pump-Priming

Lieutenant General Sir Charles Gaillard, who went to Japan in 1945 as Mr. Winston Churchill's personal representative and stayed three years, voiced similar convictions.

"I would call it a pump-priming solution for Eastern problems," he said. "We should pour raw materials into areas threatened by Communism, sufficient to raise living standards above anything the Communists have to offer. It would ultimately prove less expensive than vast military operations."

Mr. Comyns-Carr said it is difficult to understand Russia's Far Eastern policy.

"If Russia is the protector of the Chinese Communists, it is odd she did not leave them the great plants captured from the Japanese in Northern Manchuria," he said.

"The Russians carried them all away and left only an empty shell. Similarly, her refusal to any peace treaty with Japan has its only practical effect in prolonging American occupation of Japan, which is a useful if rather vulnerable advanced base in the event of war."

Threat To The Commonwealth

General Gaillard said he could not completely share this view. "I am not sure whether Japan would be a great asset in the event of war. It would be a great responsibility and that is possibly the reason why

the Japanese press is loaded

these days with what appears to be directed propaganda campaign to gain concessions from the Allies for economic stability."

For several days the top

stories in all Tokyo papers have concerned economics. All international stories and even local politics have been subordinated.

This emphasis on economics is timed to a degree by Washington's directive for a "get tough" policy in restoring domestic stability.

The current press campaign contains little fresh news but it does emphasize the major points that industrial leaders and their political spokesmen want to get across.

It started long enough after

the December directive was issued to allow time for careful preparation of what was to be said.

The local reader gets the impression that stability would be restored automatically by three moves: establishment of an exchange rate favourable to Japanese business, release of wartime economic leaders from purge restrictions and a heavy flow of foreign capital as investment, mostly for plant expansion.

Associated Press.

DEATH WARRANT OF WFTU?

London, January 12. Mr. James Carey, Secretary-Treasurer of the United States Congress of Industrial Organizations, tonight met Mr. Arthur Deakin, Secretary of the Trade Union Congress and President of the World Federation of Trades Union.

Lord Beaverbrook told Mr. Cummings that the Evening Standard statement was not issued by him but by the Conservative Central Office.

The facts are that he contributed to the Epsom funds while Sir Archibald Southby was Parliamentary candidate for the constituency. He made it clear in letters that he does not intend to contribute further if the policy of Sir Archibald's successor does not conform to his views.

Mr. Cummings commented that the Evening Standard paragraph had caused widespread speculation about Lord Beaverbrook.

Politicians had asked: "Is he changing direction? Is he moving to the left? Is he going to don the cloak of liberalism, for which he has had many kind words?"—Reuter.

LAST-MINUTE BID TO SAVE NORTHERN BLOC

Stockholm, January 12. Sweden, in a last-minute bid to salvage the proposed joint Scandinavian defence agreement, has recalled for consultations to Stockholm, her Ambassadors in Washington, London, Paris and Moscow.

The move follows feelings from Washington to Norway and Denmark but not Sweden on their attitude to a possible formal invitation to join the proposed North Atlantic Pact.

During the private meeting of the Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers of the three Scandinavian countries in Karlstad, Sweden, last week, the Norwegians said they are willing to join the Atlantic Pact, in which the United States and Canada will be associated with the five Western Union nations.

The Danes are hesitant about committing themselves but are inclined to follow the Norwegians. The Swedes are firmly determined to maintain their traditional neutrality outside all international alliances.

Sweden's object in consulting her Ambassador to the "Big Four" capitals is to evolve some compromise formula which will permit Norway and Denmark to seek their security with the Western powers without committing Sweden too far.

To Go Own Way
If their consultation does not produce a formula, the Ambassadors will be discussing standardisation of arms and joint strategy in the event of an attack.—Reuter.

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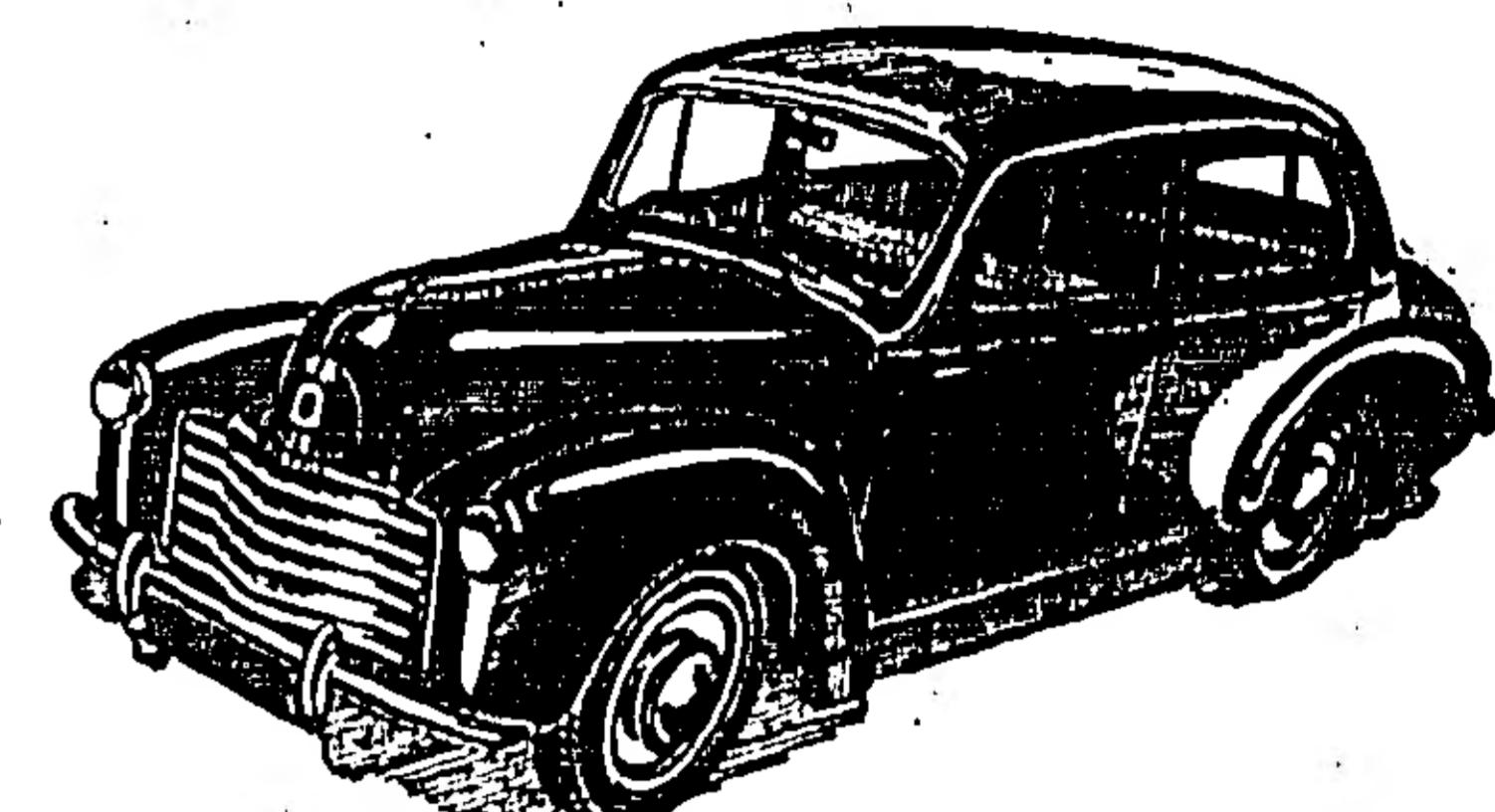
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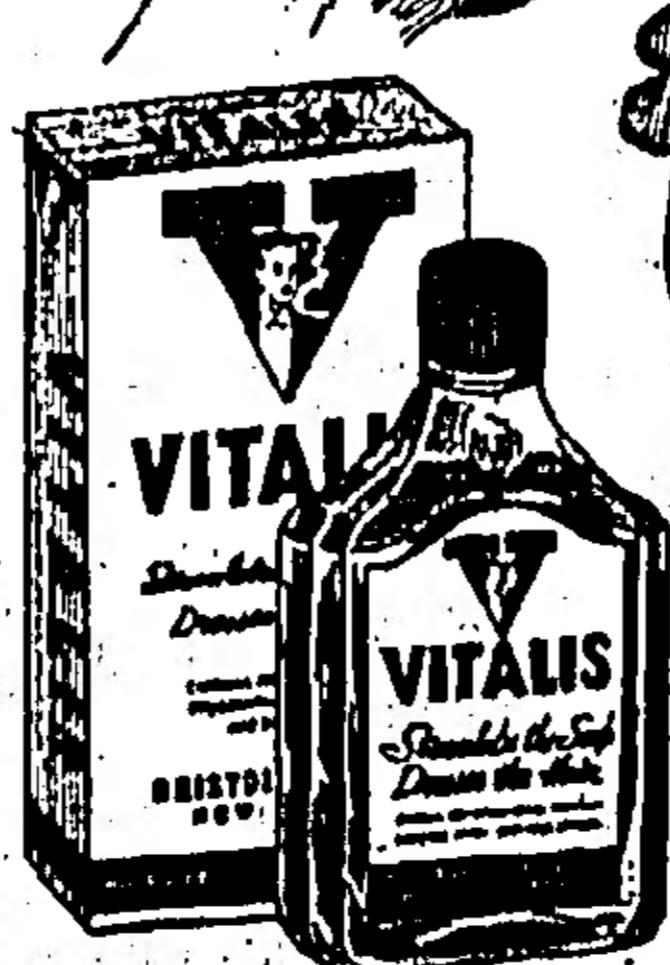
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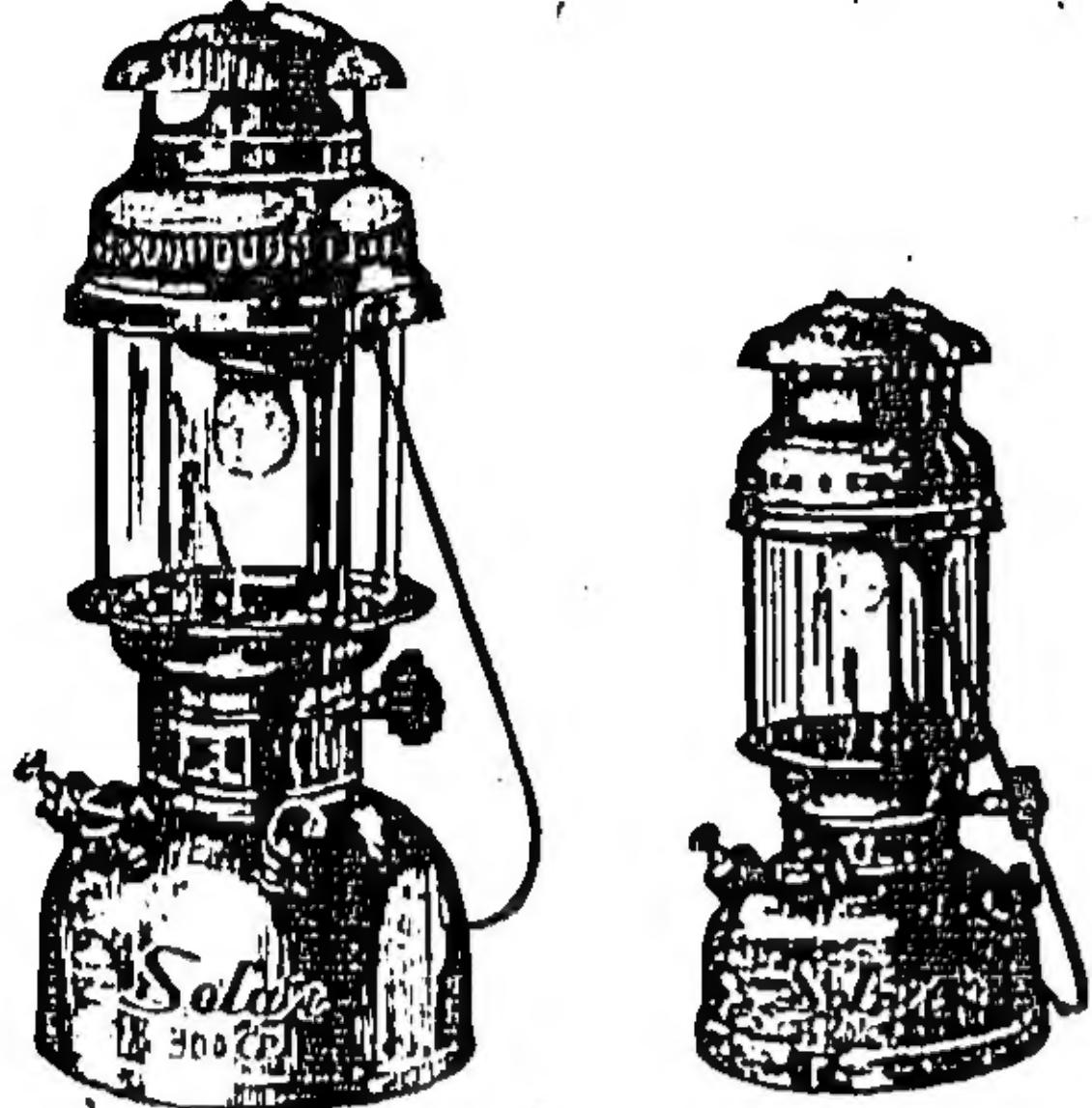
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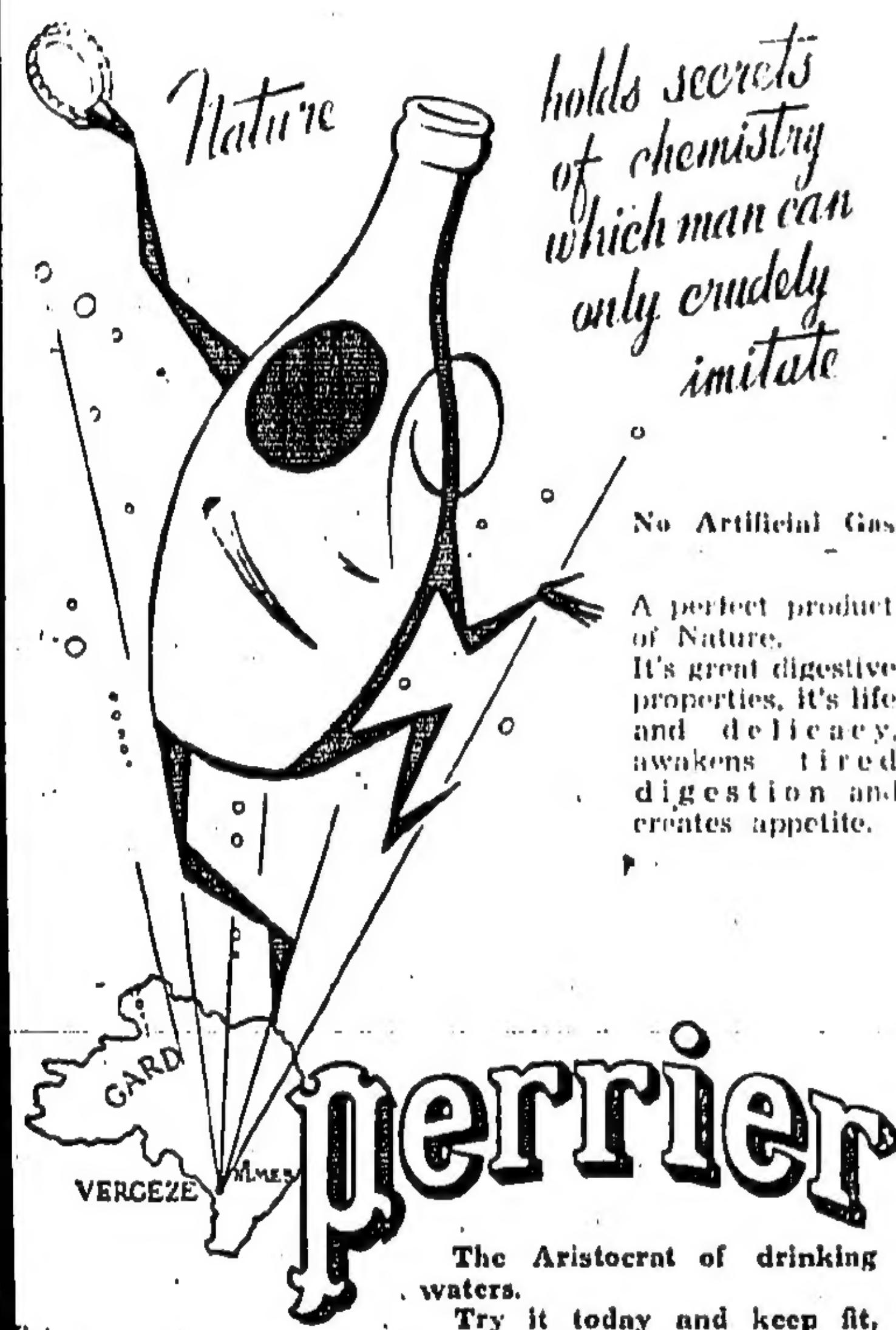
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NO CONTROL PLAN CAN PREVENT USE OF ATOMIC BOMBS

New York, January 12. No scheme for world control of atomic energy, not even the Western plan approved by the United Nations, can prevent the use of atomic weapons in a long drawn-out war.

This is according to America's member of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, Frederick Osborn.

Mr. Osborn said that it is a fallacy to believe that even proposals devised by the United States and endorsed by 48 of 58 United Nations countries can keep nations from using every effective weapon of war available to them when backed against the wall in a new war.

It is also a fallacy to believe that the United Nations atomic plan is a step toward a world government in any form, he added.

He said: "It is a plan for co-operation among national states, not for coercion from a supranational authority."

Osborn, again attacking Russia's refusal to accept the majority plan for atomic control, said that the much-emphasized American plan is the only possible formula for providing a degree of atomic safety.

But, he said, even that would not block the use of atom bombs when any nation possessing atomic facilities on its own soil feels that the chips are down.

Mr. Osborn said the merit of the majority plan is that it will eliminate the chances of any nation gaining immense initial advantage in atomic armament by placing facilities for nuclear energy in the hands of the proposed International atomic control authority.

While this would not be enough to keep a nation from seizing control from the international authority, Mr. Osborn said, it would guarantee that prior to the outbreak of war the nation on whose land such facilities are situated would not be able to use them to stockpile atomic weapons.

Not Exclusive

The control machinery endorsed by the West and seconded by Russia would provide for a period of grace which may make possible a settlement before atomic bombs come into use, and would sprinkle atomic facilities around the world so that the possibility of creating atomic weapons would not be exclusively in the hands of any one nation or group of nations.

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Suicide With 'Atom Capsule'

Rome, January 12. Il Giornale d'Italia said yesterday that Edwin Bentz, engineer, committed suicide in Venice by swallowing a capsule which the local authorities feared contained an "atomic explosive."

The authorities refused to touch the body because they feared an explosion, and it was buried without an autopsy.—United Press.

CAR SHORTAGE IN BRITAIN

Fremantle, January 12. Viscount Nuffield, Chairman of Morris Motors, said today that his organisation has more than 250,000 British applicants waiting for cars.

In Britain, he added, only 25 per cent of cars produced are allowed to be sold on the home market and by the time priority holders are satisfied, he doubted whether other citizens get more than 10 per cent of the allocation.

Lord Nuffield arrived here today for a trade tour of Australia and New Zealand. He has already visited South Africa.—Reuter.

THE NEW MUFTI

Amenan, January 12. Sheikh Husaini, Eddin Jarral, was today named Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and President of the Moslem Supreme Council by King Abdullah, to succeed Haj Aminel Husseini.—United Press.

Africa Manganese For America

Washington, January 13. The United States will start setting aside steel next month for the manufacture of goods wagons needed to get out South African manganese for America's stock piles, the Commerce Department said today.

Russia now supplies America with most of her manganese, and officials will not confirm reports in trade circles that Russia expects to cut down on shipments of metal to the United States.

The new plan provides for getting aside 2,575 tons of steel monthly from February until September at least, to make goods wagons for transporting manganese from South African mines to the ports.

The wagons are to be made by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Montreal, for the Union of South African Railways.

The United States Munitions Board, which handles Government war materials stock-piling, has said the plan may make it possible to get half or all its stockpile manganese from South Africa.

The Board has never disclosed the amount of manganese it wants but it has suggested that a steel guarantee plan may enable South Africa to increase its yearly manganese production by 250,000 to 300,000 tons.

The Canadian car factory has undertaken to deliver the wagons to the South African Railways in the fourth quarter of this year.—Reuter.

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World Domination Is Goal Of The Kremlin

Detroit, January 12. The ECA Administrator, Paul Hoffman, said today that the Russian Politburo is using its best efforts to achieve world domination.

This is the primary goal of Soviet policy and a drive is being waged with an intensity and determination that makes Hitler's efforts seem amateurish, he said.

Mr. Hoffman's statement is one of the strongest condemnations of Russia by a responsible United States official.

He said: "The United States people, despite recent revelations of the Communist activity at home and abroad, are still unaware of what is happening and of the seriousness of danger that threatens them and the entire world."

He described the Russian campaign as ruthless.

"One of the dreams of the Soviet Union is to establish world dictatorship by promoting satellite police states dominated by the Kremlin," he declared.

He listed the Soviet successes since VJ-Day and said Generalissimo Josef Stalin has every right to be well pleased with the results.

China Situation

He noted that in addition to taking over several European countries, the Kremlin is so close to taking over all of China that the situation is most serious.

The basic error of the Chinese Government in its fight against the Reds is to believe that Communism can be beaten by bullets alone, he declared.

Mr. Hoffman said that most of the Chinese leaders' efforts have been exclusively military and apparently most of the provincial leaders believe that all their energies and resources should be concentrated in an effort to stop Communism with bullets.

"They do little or nothing to improve the lot of the people or make them feel a part of the government.

The tragic consequences of following this concept are all too evident."

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Americans Reducing Personnel

Shanghai, January 13. The reduction of United States military organisation personnel in Shanghai is continuing steadily.

No comment on the extent of the reorganisation and retranchment from high officers of the Joint United States Military Advisory Group is available, but transfers of considerable body of officers and men have been affected as a routine measure in the past few weeks.

The complete removal of United States Army, Navy and Marine Corps units from the Klangwan air base was completed. The equipment and men have been re-stationed at the civil Lunghua airport.

At Klangwan, the United States organisations occupied four barracks and approximately one-quarter of the entire paved parking area. In addition they operated the ground control approach tower, radar equipment and the airport tower.

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DANISH CRASHES

Copenhagen, January 12. Two Danish Air Force Spitfires crashed today. The pilot of one was killed when his plane came down during the a snow-storm on Jutland.

The second plane crashed while landing at an airport here. Another Danish Spitfire crashed earlier this week.—Reuter.

near the frontier of North Anhnam, the communiqué said.—Reuter.

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Britain Increasing Her Gold Reserves

London, January 12. Britain's gold and dollar reserves increased by £20 million during the last quarter, the Treasury announced today.

Having fallen from £552 million at the end of March, when the European Recovery Programme began, to £457 million at the end of last month.

In the last quarter, the net gold and dollar deficit of the sterling area, before allowing for ERP receipts, was £93 million, against £76 million in the second, £107 million in the third, and £147 million in the first quarter.

Of the deficit of £93 million, £6 million was covered by India's drawings on the International Monetary Fund paid into the central reserves held in London, leaving £87 million to be met from the reserves or from ERP aid.

The reimbursement of ERP aid during the quarter was £107 million. Hence the increase of £20 million in the reserves.

It was officially stated today: "The drain on the reserves is keeping broadly in line with our ERP allocations, after allowing for special resources such as India's drawings on the International Monetary Fund."

Good As Gold

Although the ERP authorities in Washington overlook some of the arrears of reimbursements during the last quarter, they can never get exactly current.

Last year's agreement was negotiated against a background of high prices and scarcity, without foreseeing that these two factors could undergo much change in the next five years.

Today the situation has altered and the initiative in seeking agreement has been transferred largely from importing to exporting nations.

In the coming year wheat supply and demand will probably be approximately equal and in the following two years supply will exceed demand. These facts impose on importers an extremely difficult choice in committing themselves to take certain quantities at fixed prices.

Price levels will provoke long argument at the coming conference and the opinion is growing that unless exporters are willing to take a long-sighted view and accept lower maximum and minimum prices than those proposed last year, there is little chance of a new agreement.

Last year France and China were big importers. This year France may even become a limited exporter. The situation in China is uncertain and there is the future possibility that the Argentine may seek to participate in an exporter with Australia, Canada and the United States.

Both Russia and the Argentine have been invited to the conference, although neither were parties to the 1948 agreement.

Russia is unlikely to attend, but it is believed that the Argentine, which in today feeling the effects of increased world supplies on its wheat sales, may choose to become a partner in any future agreement.

The situation is further complicated by the European Recovery Programme, as it affects Canada. The Dominion is anxious to regain its independent footing in its historical European markets, including most of the Marshall Plan nations, excluding Britain, with which it has bilateral arrangements on wheat.

MOSCOW LATEST

London, January 12. The Western world does not have as accurate time as that in Russia, Radio Moscow claimed today.

The broadcast said the Russians' time measurement is accurate to 0.000 seconds. It pointed out that this compares with 0.000 in Britain, 0.009 in Washington and 0.017 in France. —United Press.

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Experts Said He Is Dead

Charleroi, January 12.

A panel of medical experts confirmed today that 61-year-old Jean Clobours, a farmer of Levese, near Charleroi, is dead and should be buried.

The funeral of Clobours, who died last Saturday, had been postponed because his relatives and friends believed that he is alive. —Reuter.

Bishops Break Off Talks

Budapest, January 12.

The Bench of Bishops of the Catholic Church in Hungary announced today that it is unable to continue negotiations with the Hungarian Government, begun shortly after the arrest of the Hungarian Primate, Cardinal Mindszenty.

The talks began on January 4 at the request of the Prime Minister, M. Istvan Dobi, but only one meeting took place. The second, due last Saturday, was cancelled without explanation at the last minute.

The bishops, announcing their decision in a letter to the Prime Minister, said they had discussed current problems between the Church and State at a meeting on Monday and had found that for the moment they are not in a position to continue the talks.

Some of the 12 members of the Bench of Bishops are personally in favour of continuing the negotiations and four are definitely opposed.

Budapest political circles believe the bishops had received instructions from the Vatican on the talks. —Reuter.

Panay Volcano In Eruption

Manila, January 13.

Hot lava is spilling over the crater of a volcano thought extinct on Panay Island, a Manila Times despatch said today.

Government volcanologists in Manila state that no official reports have been received from the Central Philippines on the crater activity.

The Times said a single stream of lava is trickling down Burin Mountain near Leon municipality and is threatening a banana plantation. Leon is 20 miles North of Ilo, Panay's capital.

Mountain people reported fire and smoke ejected from the crater every 30 minutes. Leon town officials who visited the spot reported that isolated buts of non-Christian tribes living on the thickly forested mountain side are not in danger. —Associated Press.

AUSTRIAN IRON FOR JAPAN

Vienna, January 13.

The first shipload of Austrian pig-iron has left Trieste for Japan.

Announcing the shipment today, the United Austrian Steel and Iron Works said it marks the beginning of a series of substantial deliveries of pig iron contracted for Japan to American buyers. —Associated Press.

Unrest Cause Of Rice Shortage

Washington, January 12. Political disturbances which have restricted transportation have kept 300,000 tons of Burma rice off the world markets in 1948.

ERP Complication

This is according to a report by the Foreign Agricultural Relations Office of the Agricultural Department.

Burma, which before the war was the most important exporter of rice, showed the greatest promise for recovery toward war production and trade until 1948.

Political unrest is also blamed for retarded recovery in French Indo-China's rice production.



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"TASMAN"	from Amoy	to Java	21st Jan.
"TJIBADAK"	In port	to Java	2nd February.
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"TJISADANE"	from Macassar & Javaports	to Macassar	17th Feb.

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JAPAN'S MERCHANT MARINE

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Opposition By U.S. Operators

Washington, January 13. America's privately-owned merchant marine has launched a new campaign to keep Japan from getting back into the world ocean carrying trade on pre-war basis.

Through their official organisation, the National Federation of American Shipping, U.S. ship operators claim that present water-borne Japanese commerce can support only about 2,000,000 tons of shipping.

Japan should be allowed enough ships to carry all of her constwise trade and one-half of her overseas business," a spokesman of the Federation said. "But Tokyo is after some 4,000,000 tons, which means Japan is out to drive ships of other nations off the seas through cheap wages and other low operating costs."

Nor should Japanese ships be allowed to invade other ports and trades where international incidents may be created, the Federation said in a statement on the present state of the American Merchant Marine.

The Japanese merchant marine should not be allowed to expand beyond reasonable requirements of their domestic and foreign commerce," the statement added in reference to the possible place the Japanese merchant marine fleet may occupy in the future.

Firm Belief

This is interpreted by the Federation spokesman as meaning enough ships to handle all the near seas business and one-half of the deep sea traffic.

The Japanese have about 1,500,000 tons of commercial craft, according to American Shipping Federation estimates. The private U.S. operators profess to be firm in their belief that 2,000,000 tons would be sufficient for Japanese needs in the foreseeable future.

The American operators point to the recently reported Japanese request for 120 American "Liberty" ships as evidence that the Japanese are out to re-enter the International carrying trade.

"Such a ship acquisition would bring the Japanese fleet back to 1935 level," a U.S. Shipping Federation spokesman said. "The Japanese claim is that with such ships they can do the deep sea carrying for other nations, thereby earning American dollars which would reduce the cost of the Japanese occupation upon the American taxpayer."

Driven Off

However, should such a development be permitted, American merchant ships, as well as those of other nations, will be driven off the seas, according to the Federation.

American ship operators, through their Federation, are seeking to learn from the State Department, the Army and other American agencies concerned what they are planning for Japan's merchant fleet.

Thus far, the official agencies say, the question has not been decided, and they decline to make estimates of the tonnage Japan may be allowed.

It is generally reported that the American planners for Japan feel she should have a merchant fleet sufficient to handle all of her waterborne trade, both domestic and international.—Associated Press.

NY RUBBER

New York, January 13. Keen shipping competition has resulted in the cutting of deck fares to all South China ports of the first week in January.

Rates to Amoy, however, remain unchanged.

Deck fares from Singapore to Hong Kong and Hainan will be reduced from ST\$580 to ST\$540. Fares to Swatow will drop from ST\$595 to ST\$563.—Associated Press.

SINAI DESERT OIL STRIKE

Calcutta, January 13. The Anglo Egyptian oilfields at Assal in the Sinai Desert area have struck oil in that region.

They add that first estimates suggest a daily yield of 5,000 tons.—Associated Press.

Closed quiet with no sales.

Crude rubber No. 1 futures closed two to three lower.

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SHANGHAI RUGBY XV TO VISIT COLONY

HOCKEY INTERPORT TRY-OUT

All hockey fixtures for Sunday, January 10, have been cancelled and the first Interport Trial will take place instead.

The following players are requested to appear on the Navy, No. 1 Oval, King's Park, at 10.30 a.m. sharp:

RED8

Goal-keeper: S.M. Ponniah (HKU); Backs: G.S. Cannon (CS) and J.B. Goss (Rec.).

Halves: Lt. Cdr. Hoip (RN), Pte. Hong Kong (HKU) and A.M. A. (Army).

Forwards: S.A. Fowler (CS), D. C. (Army) (HKU), E. Fawcett (RAF), R.A. Marques (Rec.) and G. J. Dobson (Army).

WHITE8

Goal-keeper: Capt. J. Rogerson, (Army); Backs: Lt. Cdr. Faneshaw (RN) and QMS Webb (Army).

Halves: Robson (CS), W.A. Reed (Rec.) and Capt. Monaghan (Army).

Forwards: J.A. Soares (Rec.), G. Goss (Rec.), Sgt. Connolly (RAF), Lt. Cdr. Aitken (RN) and B. Xavier (C & W).

RESERVES

Goal-keeper: Barretto (C & W); Backs: A. Neary (Rec.) and F.E. Bennett (CS).

Halves: L.Tel. Mathewson (RN) and Inst. Cdr. Byng (RN).

Forwards: Maj. Bokheman (Army) and P. Rull (C & W).

Red shirts will be supplied on the field and the game is to be played 40 minutes each way.

No names were submitted by the Police and Dutch Club, therefore none of their players will be included in the trials.

The Kuala Hockey Club is due to play Macao on Sunday afternoon and some of their members will receive a trial on January 23.

Umpires: Capt. Chisholm and Mr. Xavier.

Will Club Secretaries please submit names of their English players who wish to represent England in the International Tournament to Capt. Payne, c/o C.R.E. Office, Hong Kong.

HKFA Team For Governor's Cup Match

The following have been selected to represent the HKFA against the Chinese Federation of Governor's Cup, second match, to be played on Sunday, January 10, at Caroline Hill ground at 3.30 p.m.

Leek (St. Joseph's), Hughes (Army), Tozer (Navy), Weatherall (Army), Craighead (Army), Captain, Santos (St. Joseph's), Xavier (St. Joseph's), Muller (Club), Knox (Army), Kiernan (Cao) and Ramskill (Army).

Reserves: Bartrum (RAF), Soutar (RAF), Forrow (Club), Marsden (Army) and Weller (Club).

Team Manager: Capt. H.J. Chisholm.

Trainer: Mr. Eric Keen.

Players and reserves are requested to report to their Team Manager in the Dressing Room at 2.45 p.m.

Jerseys etc. will be supplied by the Association.

The following will represent the Federation:—Yue Yu-tai (SCAA), Hau Yung-sang (SCAA), Tre Kan-hung (SCAA), Tang Sum (KMB), Kwok Ying-kei (Kit Chee), Lau Chung-san (SCAA), Ho Ying-fun (SCAA), Lee Chung-fat (KMB), Tang Yee-kit (KMB), Chan Kam-ho (SCAA) and Tsui Kum-ho (SCAA).

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The following will represent the "Oscentials" in a friendly cricket match against Club de Recreio at Chater Road tomorrow:

L. F. Stokes, O.J. Kerr, T.A. Pearce, D.H. Leach, H. Owen Hughes, J.E. Richardson, N. MacLeod, J.D. Clague, F. Howarth, R.H. Hughes and E.F. Gee.

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